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- 1. (Secret GLC) At his request I met with Mr. Lee Williams, Administrative Assistant to Senator J. W. Fulbright (D., Ark.). Williams gave me a letter from Mrs. Nina Simpson Young (former personal secretary to the Senator) in which she expresses the interest of a friend who is retiring from SAC in July in employment with Air America or Air Asia as a pilot. Williams asked if I would look into this and advise him as to the best way of handling the matter.
- 2. (Secret GLC) Met with Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, and reviewed with him last minute arrangements for the Director's briefing of the Intelligence Operations Subcommittee tomorrow morning. Woodruff said he had not prepared any specific questions for the hearing, but said we should be ready to discuss obvious subjects like the Radios, Laos, and Southeast Asia. He also recommended that we have with us the latest photographs of the SS-9 and SS-11 silos and

He also doublechecked with me the total intelligence community budget figure which I checked later with Mr. John Clarke.

Later Mr. David Abshire, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, Mr. Maury and I met with Woodruff and discussed the situation with respect to possible interim financing of the Radios under the continuing resolution. Woodruff restated the instructions from Chairman Ellender under which he is operating, i.e., no appropriations for the Radios past FY 71 and no agreement to any "device" for covert funding of the Radios pending congressional action on the Case bill. He said he assumed that there would be further clarification of this subject when the Director appears before the Intelligence Operations Subcommittee tomorrow.

In response to a question from Mr. Abshire as to who might be influential in changing the Chairman's mind with respect to interim funding, Woodruff said no one other than the President or the Secretary of State. As the result of this conversation consideration is being given to requesting the President to contact Chairman Ellender on the matter before tomorrow's briefing.

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3. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Met with Mr. Michael Reed,
Legislative Assistant to the Speaker of the House, Carl Albert, and
reviewed with him the correspondence from James H. Ivy, Esq., from
Waurika, Oklahoma, concerning a custody of children decree relating to
Mr. , employed by Air America, Inc. in the Far East.
Mr. Reed expressed his appreciation for my coming by and said he would
contact Air America directly. He did not question the fact that neither the
Agency nor the Department of State could be of any assistance in this matter.
Neither the Department nor the Agency has any jurisdiction over the
individual.

DDS/HB, has been advised. No further
action is required with regard to the letter of 3 June from the Speaker.

- 4. (Secret JGO) Met with Mr. Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, who told me that he thought this morning's budget briefing of the Chairman had gone extremely well.

 I briefed Mr. Slatinshek on the E-II submarine departure from Cuba and the visit to Cuba of a Soviet intelligence collection ship.
- 5. (Secret JGO) Met with Messrs. James Wilson and W. H. Boone, House Science and Astronautics Committee staff, and briefed them on the Soviet "J" vehicle.
- 6. (Internal Use Only JGO) Met with Miss Jean Gordon, Administrative Assistant to Representative Charles Gubser (R., Calif.), and thanked her for her assistance in putting the Ingersoll letter in the Record earlier this week.
- 7. (Confidential JGO) Talked to Mrs. Mary McLaughlin, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, who told me that the transcript of the Director's briefing on Brazil of 5 May would be ready for return to the Agency at close of business.
- 8. (Confidential JGO) Met with Mr. John Brady, House Foreign Affairs Committee staff, and delivered to him a blind memorandum entitled "Recent Trends in the Illicit Narcotics Market in Southeast Asia." Mr. Brady originally requested the paper from Mr. Harvey Wellman, Special Assistant to the Secretary of State for Narcotics Matters. Mr. Brady was complimentary both in his attitude and remarks about the Agency.

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- 9. (Internal Use Only JGO) Talked to Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and told him that the <u>Washington Post</u> item of this morning relating to the evacuation of Headquarters due to a bomb threat was in error. Mr. Preston appreciated the clarification to save any embarrassment in the event of questions by the Chairman or members of the Committee.
- 10. (Internal Use Only JGO) Met with Mr. Austin Smith, House Appropriations Committee staff, who told me that he had talked to Ken Sprankle earlier in the week as a followup to the three-way conversation between Messrs. Sprankle, Smith, and myself concerning employment prospects for ________ The Office of Personnel has been advised.
- Il. (Confidential JGO) Talked to Mr. William Cook, Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, who told me that the Committee received an open rule with one hour of debate which would allow amendments on the floor to H.R. 6483, a bill to increase the number of generals in the Marine Corps. Mr. Cook told me he does anticipate some problem when the bill reaches the floor. Representative Nedzi (D., Mich.) may request an amendment to reduce the number of generals from four to three. Representative Otis Pike (D., N.Y.) had indicated to Chairman Fisher that he intends to oppose the entire measure. I thanked Mr. Cook for the advice.
- 12. (Secret JMM) Accompanied Colonel White, John Clarke, and Cord Meyer who briefed Representatives Hebert and Arends on the Agency budget, and particularly covert operations in Laos preparatory to hearings on the Defense procurement authorization bill.

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- 13. (Confidential JMM) Met with Phil Trimble, on the staff of Senator Muskie's Subcommittee on Arms Control, International Law and Organization of Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and Maynard Toll, of Senator Muskie's personal staff, and explained the Director's reluctance to testify before the Subcommittee on Soviet and Chinese strategic weapons. I said there had been no significant new developments since the Director's 29 March testimony other than the new silos and evidence as to the significance of these was still inconclusive. Trimble said he would like to see the transcript of the 29 March testimony and I said I would send it over for Art Kuhl, of the Committee staff, to hold for Trimble's examination. Trimble also asked if they could get something in writing which would supplement the transcript by confirming my oral statement about the status of information on the new silos. I said I would take this up with the Director and let him know.
- 14. (Confidential JMM) Dorothy Fosdick, Staff Director, Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations, called to say Senator Jackson was interested in the status of the Radios. I explained the situation to her and she indicated the Senator would be glad to help us in any way possible.

Miss Fosdick also provided me with details of some mysterious phone calls that her office had been receiving and I passed this information on to SB Division.

- 15. (Confidential JMM) Talked with Art Kuhl, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, and discussed the status of Phil Trimble's clearances and found that a Top Secret clearance had been approved by DOD but had not been formally communicated to the Committee. Kuhl will let us know when it has been.
- 16. (Confidential JMM) Talked to Jim Lowenstein, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, and asked when we could see a copy of his report on Laos. He said this had been the subject of discussion at the secret session on 7 June where it had been decided not to release the report to anyone until all members of the Senate had had an opportunity to examine and comment on it.

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